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Invention: HOSPITAL BED OBSTACLE

DETECTION DEVICE AND

METHOD

Inventor: Carl William Riley et al.

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REQUEST FOR REFUND OF EXCESS CLAIMS FEES UNDER 37 CFR 1.117

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir

On October 17, 2007 have filed an amendment in response to an election of species requirement mailed September 17, 2007. In the amendment, the Applicants have cancelled claims 1-14, 39-60, 68-73 and 90-94. Claims 1, 39, 51, 68 and 90 are independent claims. Thus, applicants have cancelled a total of 47 claims, 5 of which are independent.

Applicants paid excess claims fees in the amount of \$18 for each excess claim and \$88 for each excess independent claim. Thus applicants have paid \$1286 in excess claims fees.

Applicants respectfully request a refund of the \$1286 be credited to Account of Barnes & Thornburg, Deposit Account No. 10-0435 with reference to file 7175-202356.

It is respectfully requested that, if necessary to effect a timely response, this paper be considered as a Petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response and that shortages in fees, if any, be charged, or any overpayment in fees credited, to the Account of Barnes & Thornburg, Deposit Account No. 10-0435 with reference to file 7175-202356.

Respectfully submitted,

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Karen,

Document numbers 928,957 and 929,109 need to be filed today. I would like for you to file them as soon as possible so that if you have any problems I can talk with you about them. The second document is new one for us so I am not sure how to code it.

If you have any questions, please give me a call on my cell or at 812-934-7292.

Thanks, Scott

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